

BRADDOCK DISTRICT COUNCIL NEWS

August 2006

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Braddock District Council Meeting

September 12, 2006

General Membership—All Invited to Attend
Braddock District Meeting Hall
9002 Burke Lake Road
Burke, VA 22015
(703)-425-9300

BDC Future Meeting Dates:

Tuesday, October 10, 2006
General Membership

Tuesday, November 14, 2006
General Membership

MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIR:

My first message as new Chair of Braddock District Council is an invitation to all homeowner and civic associations in Braddock District to join us. We need your input to continue building a sharing and helping environment in Braddock District. Your inputs are valuable and necessary.

My second message is to thank the outgoing officers of Braddock District Council for laying a great foundation upon which to build and to thank our district Supervisor, Sharon Bulova, for her personal involvement and support of Braddock District Council. Over the past year the BDC has focused on the future and has established some basic visions that we will now implement. I am very pleased to have a superb group of officers and committee chairs with which to work this coming year. I firmly believe we can accomplish much and also enjoy doing it.

My third message is one of congratulations and thanks to the recent award recipients at the July Braddock Picnic. These recipients and the other nominees represent the finest of the volunteers and involved citizens in Braddock District. It is pleasure to see them receive some recognition for the good they have done. All of those who witnessed the presentations shared with them the joy they clearly showed when receiving their tribute. Here is the list of the 2006 honorees:

BOB (Best of Braddock) Award Recipients

Citizen of the Year

Bo Tumas - Chapel Square West Community Association

Young Person of the Year

Christina Azimi - Middleridge

Sara Duffy - Kings Park West

Outstanding Business Person of the Year

Carolyn Maleknasri - Director of Special Need Programs, Capital Gymnastics, Burke

Most Can-Do Public Employees

Daria Parnes - Kings Park West Branch Manager, Staff and Volunteers at Kings Park Library

Neighborhood Beautification

Bristow Village Homeowners Association (On Americana Drive in Annandale) - Olivia Chattin, President

Commercial Beautification

Cardinal Plaza Shell Service Station - Scott Brown

Organization Really Making a Difference

Canterbury Woods Swim and Tennis Club - Paul Wenner VP

Special Awards for Contributions to Braddock Community

John Converse - Treasurer, Canterbury Woods Civic Association

Helen Reimherr - Little River Glen volunteer

Jessica Estrada-Palma - Citizen Who Took Charge

Ivan Dietrich - Treasurer, Braddock District Council

Lifetime Achievement Award

John McAnaw - Chair, Parks and Lakes Committee, Kings Park West Civic Association

We are looking forward to a great year of progress.

Sincerely,
Bruce Wallachy

Braddock District Council Officers

Chair, Bruce Wallachy

Vice-Chair: Tom Reinkober

Treasurer: Peg Manella

Secretary: Tena Bluhm

Communications Chair: Gil Donahue

Membership Chair: Colin Campbell

Programs Chair: Jan Hedetniemi

SUPERVISOR BULOVA'S CORNER

The Braddock District Council is in good hands with Bruce Wallachy at the helm. Already he is planning for next year with an After-Action Assessment of the July 11th BDC picnic and awards ceremony, which was the most successful we've ever had. It was great to see so many of you there, and I thank you for the good work you do in your communities.

- During the summer, our **A Look Back at Braddock Committee** is lining up opportunities for us to showcase **Braddock's True Gold, 20th Century Life in the Heart of Fairfax County.** This wonderful book is full of oral history accountings of what our area of the County was like before our current neighborhoods were built. The book is selling for \$25 at **Burke Florist** in University Mall, **The Cricket Box** in the Kings Park Shopping Center, **Judy Ryan's** in Twinbrooke Shopping Center, **The Fairfax City Museum** on Main Street, **Maps and Publications** on the first floor of the Fairfax County Government Center. The book is selling extremely well and proceeds from the sales will be used for re-printings and other A Look Back at Braddock activities.

If you are looking for a program next year for one of your meetings, members of the A Look Back at Braddock Task Force are looking forward to sharing information about the project – collecting oral history stories, photographs and historic materials, and transforming them into a fascinating little book. We also have a 16 minute video about the project that can be woven into a program. Please give my office a call at 703 425 9300 if you're interested.

- Coming up in September, I will be hosting the first meeting of a **George Mason- Braddock District Community Council.**

The mission of the Council is to provide a forum for neighborhoods near Mason to discuss growth and development issues associated with the University's expansion plans, and to address occasional neighborhood-college conflicts. It will also provide a forum for us to work together in partnership with the University on matters that will be of mutual benefit. Please contact my office at 703 425 9300 if you are interested in participating on the Council.

The first three meetings will be largely educational and will provide community leaders with information about the university, area transportation issues and the County's role in responding to university-neighborhood matters. Beginning in January 2007, the Council will most likely meet quarterly, although ad-hoc meetings may be organized to address specific issues.

Meeting dates and tentative agendas are as follows:

September 5th, Tuesday – Orientation, George Mason's Comprehensive Plan, Community Concerns
October 3rd, Tuesday – Transportation planning improvements near the University, including pedestrian access.
November 6th, Monday – Responding to off-campus university-related issues
County zoning laws, Police response, Fire and Rescue
January 3rd, Wednesday – First Regular Meeting, Agenda TBD

I hope everyone has a safe and pleasant rest of the summer, and look forward to seeing you in September!

Sincerely,

Sharon Bulova

**Braddock District Area 4 Park Property Damage Due to Flooding
TIMELINE FOR REPAIRS
July 19, 2006**

AREA 4 LOCATION	DAMAGE	REPAIRS
Canterbury Woods and Woodland Way	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Serious washouts • Not passable • Rail washed out between Canterbury Woods and Woodland Way • Dust washed away from Canterbury Woods to Woodland Way 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Repairs to trail completed • Trail now passable • Dust will be replaced in about one month (low priority item)
George Mason Park (Garden Plots)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Road to plots completely washed out and laying in grass • PA to work on this June 29, 2006 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Work completed June 29, 2006
Guinea Road / Rutherford / Long Branch Stream Valley	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pedestrian bridge gone at Guinea Road, across street from Rutherford • May need to be demolished • Is unsafe, so is closed and blocked off 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pedestrian bridge was not gone; • Footer from old bridge washed out, not new one • Repairs to be completed by July 19, 2006 • NOTE: Bridge does not meet specifications at this time; ideal situation would be for VDOT to install pedestrian bridge along shoulder when they install box culvert; Gary Much favored this;

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		may require communication between Supervisor Bulova and VDOT
Kings Park	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Infield mix washed out, plus under backstop and along first base side of field 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Repairs to infield completed
Lake Braddock Park	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No issues Rectangular fields fine, just wet and closed until June 30, 2006, barring no more heavy rains 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reopened June 30 Never an issue, just wet
Lakeside	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Field still partially under water from Royal Lake on June 29, 2006 Parking lot okay on June 29, 2006 Playgrounds heavily covered in debris but no longer under water on June 29, 2006 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Field no longer under water Bob Stevenson and Greg Rosenthal worked at Lakeside and also cleaned field on July 14, 2006 Community and scouts cleaned Lakeside on July 15, 2006 A little trail work to do, but not major
Long Branch Stream Valley Long Branch Stream Valley (Continued)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Two bridges completely washed out (see above, Guinea Road / Rutherford / Long Branch Stream Valley, for information about one bridge) Major work needed here 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bob Stevenson will meet with Jody Delsignore, PA Mobile Crew, who runs heavy equipment on July 19, 2006, about other bridge Jody requires two months to complete repairs to this bridge because of other more seriously damaged areas, so no start time provided yet Not as many people use this bridge. No timeline from Jody to remove trees from Long Branch Stream Valley, but will probably have to rent a crane because his equipment may not be able to handle these huge trees PA doing the best they can in this area
Pohick Stream Valley	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Multiple damage caused through this area Most damage was in Saratoga area and Cross County Trail 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Stone is being delivered July 20, 2006 Repairs to commence July 20 or 21, 2006, by crew of three
Royal Lake	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> New pipe that was installed, carrying Shane's Creek under the trail at northwest part of lake, washed out Debris and silt on boat ramp at Royal Lake Odor typical of when waterways overflow that should disappear when silt dries, but not caused by sewage 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pipe replaced and stone put back Silt is gone Odor gone by July 7, 2006 (day after reported)
Royal Ridge	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No issues 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No repairs needed